

Docket No.: 1614.1040

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shinkichi GAMA et al.

Serial No. 09/531,105

Confirmation No. 5186

Filed: March 17, 2000

For: STORAGE DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 2131

Examiner: Michael R. Vaughan

**AMENDMENT** 

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 13, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on February 13, 2004. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to April 13, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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